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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

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BANKS.

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK

- The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.
- Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,000 in any one year.
- Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.
- Interest at the rate of 3½ per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.
- Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.
- Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if wanted, on Hongkong Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.
- Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor of his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the  
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING  
CORPORATION,  
T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager,  
Hongkong, May 7, 1885.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING  
CORPORATION  
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$7,000,000  
RESERVE FUND.....\$4,500,000  
RESERVE FOR EQUALIZATION.....\$ 500,000  
RESERVE OF DIVIDENDS.....\$ 500,000  
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS.....\$7,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS,  
Chairman—F. D. SARSON,  
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Bank

HONGKONG.  
INTEREST ALLOWED.  
ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the balance.  
For Fixed Deposits—  
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "  
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.  
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.  
Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager,  
Hongkong, December 5, 1885.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK  
CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....\$2,000,000  
PAID-UP.....\$ 600,000

REGISTERED OFFICE,  
40, THREEDREDDELL STREET, LONDON.

BRANCHES.  
In India, China, Japan and the Colonies.

THE Bank receives Money on Deposit, buys and sells Bills of Exchange, issues Letters of Credit, forwards Bills for Collection, and transacts Banking and Agency business generally on terms to be had on application.

CLAIMS ON THE ORIENTAL BANK  
CORPORATION PURCHASED ON  
ADVANTAGEOUS TERMS.

H. A. HERBERT,  
Manager,  
Hongkong Branch  
Hongkong, July 4, 1885.

NOTICE.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COM-  
PANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept  
Risks on First Class Godowns at 1  
per cent. net premium per annum.

NOTTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 19, 1885.

Intimations.

In the Matter of the Estate of the late WILLIAM CATHERALL SYDER, Master of the S.S. "Greyhound."

NOTICE is hereby given that all Persons having any CLAIMS against the Estate of the said WILLIAM CATHERALL SYDER, who was murdered by pirates at sea, on the 17th October, 1885, and Letters of Administration to whom Estate were granted to his Widow, MARY SYDER, on the 13th day of NOVEMBER, 1885, are hereby required to send in Writing to the Undersigned, on or before the 16th DAY of JANUARY next, full Particulars of their Claims or Demands, and all Persons INDEBTED to the said Estate are requested to make immediate Payment to the Undersigned.

And, Notice is hereby also given that as soon as possible after the above mentioned date, the Administrators will proceed to distribute the Assets of the said Estate, among the Parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the Claims, of which she shall then have had Notice in writing.

Dated in Hongkong,  
the 27th November, 1885.

THOS. M. DERMER.

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NOTICE.

THE Steamship WAH YEUNG will RUN regularly between HONGKONG and CANTON every SUNDAY, TUESDAY and THURSDAY at 5.30 p.m., commencing on SUNDAY, the 6th instant.

Meers, ALTHORN, KAHRS & Co. will Act as Agents at Canton.

SHING KEE.

Hongkong, December 3, 1885.

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WILLIAM DOLAN,  
SAIL-MAKER & SHIP-CHANDLER,  
22, PRAYA CENTRAL.

COTTON-DUCKS, HEMP-CANVAS,  
MANILA-ROPE, AMERICAN  
OAKUM, LIFE BUOYS,  
CORE JACKETS,  
&c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, May 1, 1885.

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HONGKONG RACES, 1886.

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, AND  
FRIDAY,

24th, 25th, and 26th February, 1886.

THE HONGKONG DERBY.

THE HONGKONG DERBY, a SWEEP-  
STAKES of \$20 each, half forfeit if declared on or before the date of Closing Entries, with \$100 added for 1st Pony and \$50 for 2nd. For all China Ponies bnd 500 for 3rd. For all China Ponies bnd 500 for 4th. For all China Ponies bnd 500 for 5th. For all China Ponies bnd 500 for 6th. For all China Ponies bnd 500 for 7th. For all China Ponies bnd 500 for 8th. For all China Ponies bnd 500 for 9th. For all China Ponies bnd 500 for 10th. For all China Ponies bnd 500 for 11th. For all China Ponies bnd 500 for 12th. For all China Ponies bnd 500 for 13th. For all China Ponies bnd 500 for 14th. For all China Ponies bnd 500 for 15th. For all China Ponies bnd 500 for 16th. For all China Ponies bnd 500 for 17th. For all China Ponies bnd 500 for 18th. For all China Ponies bnd 500 for 19th. For all China Ponies bnd 500 for 20th. For all China Ponies bnd 500 for 21st. For all China Ponies bnd 500 for 22nd. For all China Ponies bnd 500 for 23rd. For all China Ponies bnd 500 for 24th. 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## For Sale.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE,  
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL

HAVE JUST LANDED  
THE FOLLOWING

## STORES.

YORK HAMS.  
SILKON CHEESE.  
PUDDING RAISINS (Valencias).  
CURRANTS (Patras).

MINCEMEAT.  
CHRISTMAS CAKES.  
FIGS.  
ALMONDS and RAISINS.

Brazil NUTS.

Soft-Shell ALMONDS.

Metz FRUITS.

Crystallized FRUITS.

FRUITS in Syrupa.  
Imperial PLUMS.  
Plum PUDDINGS.  
COSAQUES.

CALIFORNIA PRODUCTS.  
CONDENSED MILK.  
KEROSINE LAMPS.  
FAIRBANK'S SCALES.  
COOKING STOVES.  
PARLOUR STOVES.

THE USUAL ASSORTMENT  
of

OILMAN'S STORES,  
AND

## WINES,

at the

Lowest Possible Prices

FOR CASH.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.  
Hongkong, December 1, 1885. 2084

## To-day's Advertisements.

JAPAN ! JAPAN ! JAPAN !!!

N O T I C E .

KUHN & Co.

BEG Respectfully to announce that both their STORES, situated at the HONGKONG HOTEL, are now Open, and Thousands of ancient and much Useful and Ornamental JAPANESE ARTICLES are offered FOR SALE, at most reasonable wholesale prices.

Hongkong, December 9, 1885. 2143

TO LET.

S U N N Y - S I D E .

A Commodious DWELLING HOUSE, Corner of BONHAM and FORESTHILL ROADS.

Apply to  
SAMUEL J. GOWER,  
14, Queen's Road,  
Hongkong, December 9, 1885. 2144

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH to NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF NEW YORK will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on TUESDAY, the 20th instant, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to New York and other American Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havannah, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage. Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic Lines of Steamers.

RETURN PASSAGES.—Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20% from Return Fare; if re-embarking within one year, an allowance of 10% will be made from Return Fare. Pre-Paid Return Passage Orders, available for one year, will be issued at a discount of 25% from Return Fare. These allowances do not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcels will be received at the office until 5 p.m., same day; all Parcels packaged should be marked to address in full; value of name is required.

Comsular invoices to accompany cargo destined to ports beyond San Francisco should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 30, Queen's Road Central.

C. D. HARMAN,

Agent.

Hongkong, December 9, 1885. 2145

## To-day's Advertisements.

### FOR SALE.

A CAPE HORSE, standing about 16 hands, a good pace, used as a Charger.

Apply

ADJUTANT,  
2nd Northamptonshire Regiment,  
Hongkong, December 9, 1885. 2146

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

### FOR SWATOW.

The Co.'s Steamship  
Hailoong, Captain WYLIE, will be despatched for the above Port on FRIDAY, the 11th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, December 9, 1885. 2147

FOR SWATOW AND BANGKOK.

THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Company's Steamer  
Katy Bong, Captain R. JONES, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 11th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

YUEN FAT HONG,  
Agents.

Hongkong, December 9, 1885. 2148

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

The Co.'s Steamship  
Conte d'A. De San Croix, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 11th instant, at 3 p.m. instead of as previously advertised.

This Steamer has superior First-class Accommodation specially constructed to meet the requirements of tropical climates.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHEWS & Co.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, December 9, 1885. 2149

FOR SINGAPORE.

The Steamship  
Venera, Captain PETERS, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 12th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, December 9, 1885. 2140

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND ADELAIDE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through cargo to NEW ZEALAND, NEW CALEDONIA, TASMANIA and FIJI.)

The Steamship  
Catterthorn, Captain DARKE, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 10th instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, December 9, 1885. 2143

FOR YOKOHAMA and HIAGO.

The Steamship  
Bilbao, Capt. W. SCHAFER, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 20th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSEN & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, December 9, 1885. 2141

UNION LINE.

The Steamship  
Claymore, Captain GULLAND, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 26th instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.,  
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FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

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STEAM COMPANIES.

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C. D. HARMAN,

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Hongkong, December 9, 1885. 2145

## To-day's Advertisements.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from H. M. NAVAL STOREKEEPER to Sell by Public Auction, on

### WEDNESDAY,

the 16th December, 1885, at Noon, at H. M. Naval Yard,

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

SUNDAY NAVAL & VICTUALING CONDEMNED STORES, &c.,

### comprising—

Per City of Rio de Janeiro, for Yokohama,

Messrs. H. A. HOWE and R. H. WILSON,

and servant; Master Grindie and servant,

and 1 Chinese.

Per Amoy, from Shanghai, 1 European,

and 10 Chinese.

Per Lady Harewood, from Honolulu,

Mrs. T. H. Williams and 2 children, Messrs.

Chin Tong, Tong Afong and Chen Sue,

and 306 Chinese.

Per Hailoong, from Formosa, &c., 69

Chinese.

Per Fobien, from Coast Ports, Mr. W. D.

Spence, and 26 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per City of Rio de Janeiro, for Yokohama,

Messrs. H. A. HOWE and R. H. WILSON,

and servant; Master Grindie and servant,

and 1 Chinese.

Per Amoy, from San Francisco, Mr. Geo. H. Carleton, 1 European,

and 70 Chinese.

Per Namor, for Coast Ports, 2 Europeans,

and 200 Chinese.

Per Bia Pan, for Bangkok, 1 European,

and 5 Chinese.

Per Tiau Pan, for Haiphong, Mrs. Ricou,

Per Lafforgue, and 20 Chinese deck.

Per Glendore, for Singapore, &c., 9 European,

and 199 Chinese.

Per Tebago, for Singapore, 3 Chinese.

Per Marie, for Tonkin, 30 Chinese.

Per Remedios, &c.

SHIPPING.

# THE CHINA MAIL

No. 6979.—DECEMBER 9, 1885.]

**THE N. C. D. NEWS** thus speaks of the late Capt. Devillo:—By the death of Captain Devillo, which occurred at Hongkong last week, this Settlement has lost an old naval officer and one of its most popular Captains. For the past quarter of a century the late Captain Devillo filled responsible positions in most of the maritime enterprises of the port, with credit to himself and satisfaction to his employers. His genuinity, and the care he bestowed on the comfort of passengers, made him a general favourite with the travelling public, and a wide circle of friends will deplore, with us, his premature end.

**FAREWELL ADDRESS.**

Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,

I intend to announce officially to you that a fire broke out in the eastern suburbs of the city and raged with unexampled fury for over three hours, yearly enters this Port; and that it is of paramount importance not to suffer any nation, or possible confederacy of nations, to destroy or lessen the prestige and influence of Great Britain with China and Japan, those rich and vast countries which have in all human probability a great future before them. I conclude in the following terms:—I submit that your Lordship should move the War Office to prepare a full and final plan for the defence of Hongkong, and that such plan should be transmitted to both the Governor and the General Commanding the Troops, with instructions to use all the authority and influence of their respective offices to assist in carrying it into execution. I followed up this opening by a long series of official despatches and by a series of letters to English Statesmen, and to the chief Authorities at the War Office. My persistent representations were aided by those of the Naval and Military Authorities at this Station, and by the energetic support of this Council, have led to the undertaking of that system of Defence Works which is now being vigorously pushed forward by General Cameron. Moreover, my application, also supported by Captain of H.M.S. *Chao Wu*, the Captain of H.M.S. *Morpheus* offered two engines, which had been declined with the permission to return to England, and the damage is estimated to be fully \$100,000. The Compo Police were scattered at the bridge-of-baste, and arrested quite a number of thieves with stolen property. The scene was a grand one, the country being illuminated for miles around. Several of our Foreign residents took advantage of a house-top in close proximity to the fire, but were unable to render much in the way of assistance.

## THE MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held this afternoon. Those present were:—H. E. the Governor (President), Hon. Sir G. Phillips (Chief Justice), Hon. F. Stewart (Acting Colonial Secretary), Hon. E. L. O'Malley (Attorney General), Hon. A. Lister (Colonial Treasurer), Hon. J. M. Price (Surveyor General), Hon. P. Ryrie, Hon. T. Jackson, Hon. F. D. Sasey, and Hon. W. H. Marsh (Colonial Secretary), and Hon. W. Kewick.

**MINUTES.**

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

### THE MUNICIPAL RATES ORDINANCE.

The Acting Colonial Secretary, by order of H. E. the Governor, laid on the table the following despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated Oct. 26th.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 348, reporting the increase by one per cent. of the municipal rating in consequence of the failure of the present police rate, to meet the current charges of the force.

2. I approve of the change which you propose to introduce, by which the municipal taxation will in future be submitted to the Colonial Legislature, the Rating Act of 1876 being amended accordingly; and my approval has already been conveyed to you by telegraph.

3. I have also to acknowledge your despatch No. 349, on the subject of the necessary for maintaining a strong police force in the Colony.

The Council then resumed consideration of the Committee of this bill.

The Attorney General moved an amendment to section 23 and 27 whereby owners of houses at Victoria Peak, with or without other houses in the Colony, be entitled to a refund of taxes should their houses be unoccupied continuously for two quarters or a longer portion of a year. A clause was also added providing that the judge shall be incapable of acting in his judicial office in any proceeding affecting the taxes, by reason of his being a party affected.

These sections having been carried,

The Hon. P. Ryrie again raised the question of the taxation imposed on Quarry Bay. He now produced figures showing that at present the proprietors of the works had 12 watchmen who were constantly on watch, that there were only three constables, not five, as stated, by one of the members.

The Acting Colonial Secretary—I may have been mistaken, I thought it was five.

The Hon. P. Ryrie—These three constables were provided with quarters free by the proprietors. Now if they considered that these three constables cost only \$20 per annum, with perhaps \$20 for clothes, it seemed to him very hard that this firm, with 12 watchmen of their own, should have to pay a sum of nearly \$1800 per annum for taxes. It had been stated there that a Police Station was going to be erected, but so far as he knew, there had not even been a vote taken. The proposed site of Quarry Bay had other grievances, the property had been very highly rated, higher than other properties of the same name. The hon. gentleman then referred to the practice of rating in England, where factories to be built away from towns with the object of lowering their rates, and he considered that we should encourage manufacturers to be placed all over the island, instead of trying to prevent them in this way. He next referred to the disturbances complained of, and said he was told they were caused by the turbulent stonecutters near by, and not by the workmen of the refinery. He then enquired what was the valuation of Shau-ki Wan. Having been informed by the Colonial Treasurer that it was \$19,000, he contrated the Force required for Shau-ki-wan, and that stationed at Quarry Bay. At Shau-ki-wan there was 1 inspector, 3 European constables, 1 Indian sergeant, 6 Indian and 3 Chinese constables. Quarry Bay was valued at \$20,000, and rated 12 per cent. higher, although there were only three constables there. He concluded by moving that Quarry Bay be rated at 7 per cent. the same as Shau-ki-wan.

After waiting a short interval, His Excellency asked—Does any hon. member second that amendment?

The Hon. P. Ryrie—I don't think any one will second it. My object was to bring the matter before the Council. As I said before, I don't get a seconder.

On a seconder coming forward, the Attorney General and the Colonial Treasurer made a few remarks in reply. The Attorney General said he had no objection to his hon. friend's observations, but was very carefully considering the same between now and the next session, on which the Council would be asked to review and reconsider the principle upon which the rates were fixed, and that although no amendment had resulted, they would not lose their usefulness.

The Colonial Treasurer pointed out that no comparison could be made between

Shau-ki-wan and Quarry Bay, inasmuch as Shau-ki-wan was the centre for policing seven villages. He also pointed out that

where a person asked for Police to be stationed at his own door, in addition to the ordinary patrol, it was not unreasonable that he should be asked to pay extra for them. The observations would, however, be kept in view.

The standing orders were then suspended, and the bill was read a third time, and finally passed.

His Excellency—I desire to state that it is very satisfactory to me that we have passed an ordinance which, for the first time in the history of the Colony, will place the entire taxation of the Colony under the control of this Council.

I will now read my farewell address to you, gentlemen.

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Council, I intend to announce officially to you that a fire broke out in the eastern suburbs of the city and raged with unexampled fury for over three hours, yearly enters this Port; and that it was at the beginning of this year, but I then felt that it was my duty to remain at my post during the protracted crisis of the Franco-Chinese hostilities, and the destruction of the war with Russia. Her Majesty's Government have expressed 'their high appreciation of the public spirit which led me to this decision.' Now that peace has been restored, the permission to return to England has been renewed. After twenty-six years continuous service as the Representative of the Queen in five Colonies successively, it will be agreed that I have fully earned a period of rest.

2. One of the most eminent of the Governors of Crown Colonies, in bidding farewell to his Council, remarked:—'I think it very useful that the last Address of a Governor should be exhaustive; that it should touch on all subjects of my interest; that it should be a standard of comparison by which the progress of the Colony may be measured at different epochs.'

Accordingly, I will take advantage of this opportunity to place on record a brief review of the principal acts of my administration here, which has lasted nearly three years. These years have been very eventful and eventful both as regards the Colony, the centre of British power, influence and commerce in the Far East, and also as regards European interests generally in this quarter of the globe, which contains the four-tenths of the human race, and which must yet fill a great place in the history of the world.

3. Soon after my assumption of this Government in the early part of the year 1883, I satisfied myself, after careful study of the position of your affairs, that there were three subjects of pressing importance to which I should first direct my special attention. These were:—

(a) The reconstitution of the Legislative Council.

(b) The commencement of the much-needed Works of Water-supply and Sanitation.

(c) The Defence of the Colony.

4. To the reconstitution of this Council as to make it representative of the Colony generally, I attached primary importance; for when an energetic and capable, and that of Hongkong, has secured an adequate voice and a seat in the management of its own local and municipal affairs, all necessary and well-considered internal reforms should follow. Accordingly, I procured the assent of the Imperial Government to a large increase in the number of the unofficial members of this Council, with the appointment of a number of Chinese to the Legislative Council, with whom I am in constant communication, with whom I have spoken of, and learned to be in good humour with, England, and to some extent with each other.

5. I have never failed to direct, from time to time, the attention of the Imperial Government, and of the British Legation at Peking, to measures calculated to advance the interests of the mercantile community, such as the opening to commerce of the great South-Western Provinces of China. The cordial co-operation of the Chamber of Commerce has never failed me.

11. Throughout my administration, I have devoted much care to the improvement of the public institutions and establishments; and, above all, to public education. I have elsewhere expressed my belief that the new Victoria College, with its scholarships enabling some of the most promising students to complete their education in England, will render an important service not only to this Colony, but also ultimately to the neighbouring Empire of China; and that this will prove a powerful and honourable method of extending British influence. Already indeed several men in high office under the Chinese Government have received their education to the schools established at Hongkong under British auspices.

12. In connection with our public establishments I desire to place on record my high appreciation of the ability, diligence, and public spirit of the Heads of the various Departments of Government who form the Executive Council; and of the faithful and efficient discharge of their duty by the Civil Service generally.

13. With regard to Legislation, there have been passed during my administration fifty-five Ordinances; many of which are additions of permanent value to the Statute Book.

14. To sum up:—The reconstitution of this Council, with increased control over the management of the local affairs and taxation of the Colony—the extensive Works of Water-supply, Sanitation, and Defence—the new Victoria College: the new Public Park; the reclamation of Causeway Bay; together with many other important Public Works—a large amount of useful and practical legislation; these must ever remain permanent monuments alike of my administration, and of your support. Whatever measure of success may have been gained by my Government, it could not have been achieved without your able, experienced, and hearty assistance. As I remarked once before—Governors and Legislatures should speak by their actions; and it is confidently hoped that our united efforts will be found hereafter to have promoted the general welfare of all races and classes in this Colony.

Finally, in bidding you farewell, I pray that you, Honourable Gentlemen, will be as successful in your success in this Council; may exercise your important functions through your preserving prosperity and happiness. During the brief period of forty-three years which have elapsed since this last, then barren and desolate, was erected into a British Colony, it has risen, by the blessing of Providence on the enterprise and energy of our race, to the proud position of the third greatest Mart of shipping in the British Empire, ranking next after London and Liverpool. If this city can boast the ancient historical associations of the great cities of the Mother-Country, it will be remembered that (as it has been truly observed), the lot cannot be considered otherwise than fortunate of those who have to make, instead in inheriting history.

The Hon. P. Ryrie—Your Excellency, I desire to move the reply to the eloquent address which you have just delivered, and to say the fact that since we have been here, the main drainage of the City; and to the roadways and pavements, more especially in the Chinese quarters: together with the organization of a complete system of practical sanitation and daily removal of waste products; the reclamation and embanking of numerous foreshores; Kennedy Town, Hung-hom and Yau-mat, and their conversion into healthy and remunerative building land; the extension of the City to the westward, and the opening out of new areas to the commercial and industrial enterprises of the community; and the utilization of mountain sites for the health and recreation of the community, the continued spread of the planting in the hitherto arid hill districts of the climate; and, last, and many other kindred works of scarcely less interest to health and well-being of the people, have been inaugurated with your assistance and by your votes during my administration.

8. You are already aware that, while authorizing the works required for the internal health and progress of the Colony, I took early and effective measures for its external defence. On May 12th, 1883, only six weeks after my assumption of this Government, I opened the question of the Defences in an elaborate despatch to the Secretary of State, in which, after entering fully into the detailed statements and arguments, I added:—'It has been frequently shown that Hongkong commands

our trade routes in the Far East; that shipping to the amount of above five millions of tons (a larger tonnage than that which entered the Port of London forty years ago), yearly enters this Port; and that it is of paramount importance not to suffer any nation, or possible confederacy of nations, to destroy or lessen the prestige and influence of Great Britain with China and Japan, those rich and vast countries which have in all human probability a great future before them.'

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